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By The KING,
A PROCLAMATION,

GEORGE R.

WHEREAS Our Parliament ſtands prorogued to Thurſday the Thirtieth Day of October next; We, with the Advice of Our Privy Council, do hereby publiſh and declare, that the ſaid Parliament ſhall be further prorogued on the ſaid Thirtieth Day of October next, to Thurſday the Twentieth Day of November following: And We have given Order to Our Chancellor of Great Britain to prepare a Commiſſion for proroguing the ſame accordingly. And We do hereby further declare Our Royal Will and Pleaſure, that the ſaid Parliament ſhall, on the ſaid Twentieth Day of November next, be held for the Diſpatch of divers weighty and important Affairs. And the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and the Knights, Citizens, and Burgeſſes, and the Commiſſioners for Shires and Burghs, of the Houſe of Commons, are hereby required to give Attendance accordingly, at Weſtminſter, on the ſaid Twentieth Day of November next.

Given at Our Court at St. James's, the 24th Day of September, 1777, and in the 17th Year of Our Reign.

GOD ſave The KING.

Whitehall, September 24, 1777.

Copy of a Letter from Lieutenant-General Burgoyne to Lord George Germain, dated Head Quarters upon Hudſon's River near Fort Edward, July 30, 1777, received this Day by the Silver Eel Ordnance Tranſport from Quebec.

MY LORD,

BY my Diſpatch of the 11th Inſtant, committed to the Care of Captain Gardner, my Aid de Camp, I had the Honor to inform your Lordſhip of the ſucceſsful Progreſs which had then been made by the Army under my Command.

Although the continued Retreat of the Enemy from one Poſt to another ſince that Period, has prevented any material Action, I think the bare Date of a Letter from Hudſon's River Matter of Intelligence not to be deferred: And I take this Occaſion to give your Lordſhip the further Satisfaction of knowing that the March hither, though ſcarce a Day paſſed without firing, was effected without any Loſs of the Regulars. A few Wounds only were received by the Indians and Provincials. The Loſſes of the Enemy, including killed and Priſoners, in the ſeveral Skirmiſhes, amount to about 300 Men

The Toil of the March was great, but ſupported with the utmoſt Alacrity. The Country being a Wilderneſs in almoſt every Part of the Paſſage, the Enemy took the Means of cutting large Timber Trees on both Sides the Road, ſo as to fall acroſs and lengthways, with the Branches interwoven. The Troops had not only Layers of theſe to remove, in Places where it was impoſſible to take any other Direction, but alſo they had above Forty Bridges to conſtruct, and others to repair, one of which was of Log Work over a Moraſs Two Miles in Extent.

I was not unapprized that great Part of theſe Difficulties might have been avoided by falling back from Skeneſborough to Ticonderoga by Water, in order to take the more commodious Route by Lake George. But beſides wiſhing to prevent the Effect which a retrograde Motion often has, to abate the Pannick of an Enemy, I conſidered that the natural Conſequence would be a Reſiſtance, of Delay at leaſt, at Fort George; where, as the Retreat was open, the Enemy could wait ſecurely the Preparation of Batteries, or at leaſt a Landing in Force for the Purpoſe of Inveſtment.

The Iſſue has juſtified my Perſeverance. The Garriſon of Fort George, in manifeſt Danger of being cut off by the direct Movement from Skeneſborough to Hudſon's River, took the Meaſure I expected of abandoning the Fort, and burning the Veſſels, thereby leaving the Lake entirely free. A Detachment of the King's Troops from Ticonderoga, which I had ordered to be ready for that Event, with a great Embarkation of Proviſion, paſſed the Lake on the ſame Day that I took Poſſeſſion of this Communication by Land: And I have the Happineſs upon the Whole to find, that the Neceſſaries for continuing the Progreſs of the Army, are more forward in Point of Time than they could have been by any other Means.

The Enemy is at preſent in Force near Saratoga, where they profeſs an Intention of ſtanding a Battle, and they have drawn a Supply of Artillery from New England for that Purpoſe. The King's Troops are employed in bringing forward from Fort George, Proviſions, Batteaux, Artillery, and other Materials neceſſary for proceeding.

I have the Honor to be, &c.

J. BURGOYNE.

Admiralty Office, September 24, 1777.

Extract of a Letter from Captain Pearſon, of His Majeſty's Ship the Garland, to Mr. Stephens, dated off Quebec the 12th of Auguſt, 1777, received this Day by the Silver Eel Ordnance Tranſport.

BY the laſt Accounts from General Burgoyne's Army, dated the 2d Inſtant, they were encamped at and near Fort Edward; which Place the Rebel Army, a few Days before, abandoned, and were then retiring towards Saratogha. General Arnold has lately joined and now commands their Northern Army: He brought with him 12 Pieces of Braſs Cannon, with which it is expected he means to make a Stand at Saratogha. General Burgoyne with his Army, all well and in great Spirits, purpoſed marching on the 5th, to attack them.

[Price Threepence-Halfpenny.]

Admiralty-Office, September 27, 1777.

THE following Letter from Lieutenant Bazely, Commander of His Majeſty's Cutter The Alert, to Mr. Stephens, was this Day received.

Plymouth, September 24, 1777.

SIR,

I HAVE the Pleaſure to acquaint you of my Arrival here, having met with the Lexington Brig, armed by the American Congreſs, with 16 Four-pounders, 12 Swivels, and 84 Men, commanded by Henry Johnſton, (late Maſter of the Yankee Privateer, who made his Eſcape from the Mars at Blackſtakes in September 1776) which I took the 19th Inſtant, W. b. S. 14 Leagues from Uſhant, Two Days from Morlaix, bound to Boſton with Diſpaches for the Congreſs, which were thrown overboard.

I gave Chace at Five in the Morning, and came up with him at Half paſt Seven, had a cloſe Engagement till Ten, when he bore up and made Sail: As ſoon as I got my Rigging to rights, again gave Chace, and came up with him at Half paſt One, renewed the Action till Half paſt Two, when he ſtruck. I have been ſo fortunate as to have had only 2 Men killed and 3 wounded, 1 of which is ſince dead, with my Maſt, Rigging, and Sails much cut and damaged.

The Loſs on the Rebels Side is 7 Men killed and 11 wounded: In the former are the Maſter and Lieutenant of Marines; in the latter the Firſt Lieutenant and Gunner; with her Rigging, Maſt and Sails, much damaged.

It blowing ſtrong Eaſterly the Night of the 20th, with a large Swell and thick Weather, I parted Company; but am in Expectation of her Arrival in this Port every Hour.

I am to beg you will acquaint their Lordſhips with the very gallant Behaviour of my Officers and People on this Occaſion.

I am, Sir,
Your very humble Servant,
John Bazely.

N. B. The Lexington arrived in the Downes the 25th Inſtant, and is put into Dover to repair her Damages.

The Alert had 10 Carriage Guns, Four-Pounders, 10 Swivels, and 60 Men.

St. Ildephonſo, September 11. Her Royal Highneſs the Princeſs of Aſturias was this Morning happily delivered of a Princeſs.

Vienna, September 13. Advice has been received of the happy Delivery of the Archducheſs of Parma of a Princeſs; and there will be a Gala at Schonbrun Tomorrow on the Occaſion.

Lord Chamberlain's-Office, St. James's, June 17, 1777.

WHEREAS it is ſuppoſed that ſeveral Perſons who have heretofore been appointed Gentlemen of His Majeſty's Moſt Honourable Privy Chamber in Ordinary, may, in Courſe of Time, be dead, or removed from their Places of Reſidence: That it may appear to the Lord Chamberlain of His Majeſty's Houſehold who of them are remaining alive, his Lordſhip is pleaſed to direct, that all ſuch do, on or before the 30th Day of October, 1777, tranſmit to Whitſhed Keene, Eſq; at the Lord Chamberlain's-Office, St. James's, an Account of their preſent Places of Reſidence.

AVERAGE PRICES of CORN,

From September 15, to September 20, 1777.

By the Standard WINCHESTER Buſhel of Eight Gallons.

	Wheat.		Rye.		Barley.		Oats.		Beans.	
	s.	*d.*	*s.*	*d.*	*s.*	*d.*	*s.*	*d.*	*s.*	*d.*
London,	6	1	3	3	2	7	1	10	3	9
COUNTIES INLAND.										
Middleſex,	6	3	3	4	2	10	2	3	3	10
Surry,	6	5	3	9	4	4	2	3	4	4
Hertford,	6	2	——		——		2	3	4	0
Bedford,	5	8	3	8	2	8	2	1	3	7
Cambridge,	5	5	3	2	——		1	7	2	10
Huntingdon,	5	5	——		2	8	1	11	3	5
Northampton,	6	5	3	6	3	2	2	1	3	8
Rutland,	5	9	——		3	3	2	2	——	
Leiceſter,	6	5	3	3	3	2	2	3	4	4
Nottingham,	5	7	3	7	2	6	2	1	4	0
Derby,	6	10	——		——		2	6	4	6
Stafford,	6	5	——		2	9	2	5	4	7
Salop,	6	7	4	2	3	2	2	4	——	
Hereford,	5	11	——		3	0	2	2	——	
Worceſter,	6	4	3	5	3	3	2	5	4	8
Warwick,	6	6	——		——		2	7	3	11
Glouceſter,	6	11	——		2	7	2	3	3	10
Wilts,	6	9	4	10	3	0	2	2	4	1
Berks,	6	4	4	4	2	7	2	3	3	7
Oxford,	6	3	——		2	7	2	2	3	7
Bucks,	6	2	——		3	0	2	3	4	0
COUNTIES upon the COAST.										
Eſſex,	5	11	——		2	5	2	1	3	4
Suffolk,	5	9	2	10	2	4	1	11	3	1
Norfolk,	5	8	2	11	2	3	1	9	——	
Lincoln,	5	6	3	8	2	7	1	10	3	7
York,	5	9	3	10	——		2	0	4	0
Durham,	5	9	3	11	——		2	2	3	10
Northumberland,	5	7	3	3	2	4	1	9	3	4
Cumberland,	6	1	3	3	2	4	2	1	3	6
Weſtmorland,	6	7	3	9	2	7	2	1	——	
Lancaſhire,	6	5	——		2	9	2	2	4	1
Cheſhire,	6	1	3	8	3	3	2	1	——	
Monmouth,	6	2	——		3	7	2	2	——	
Somerſet,	6	5	3	8	2	8	1	11	3	11
Devon,	6	5	——		2	10	1	6	——	
Cornwall,	6	1	——		2	11	1	5	——	
Dorſet,	6	5	——		2	9	2	0	3	8
Hampſhire,	6	1	——		2	5	2	1	3	8
Suſſex,	6	0	——		2	4	2	1	3	4
Kent,	6	6	——		2	5	2	1	3	3

From September 8, to September 13, 1777.

WALES.										
North Wales,	6	5	4	8	3	3	1	11	3	6
South Wales,	6	8	5	5	3	9	1	10	3	9

Part of SCOTLAND.

Wheat.		Rye.		Barley.		Oats.		Beans.		Big.	
4	8	——		1	10	1	8	2	2	1	9

Publiſhed by Authority of Parliament,
Will^m Cooke.

St. James's, September 23, 1777.

WHereas it has been humbly repreſented to the King, That on Tueſday Evening laſt a moſt horrid Murder was committed on the Body of Iſaac Layton, then being an Aſſiſtant to William Spence, one of the Officers of the Cuſtoms, in the Execution of his Duty in ſeizing and ſecuring a large Quantity of Tea from a Gang of Smugglers, aſſembled near Wimbledon Common in the County of Surry; one of which ſaid Smugglers was wounded by a Cutlaſs in his Right Arm: His Majeſty, for the better diſcovering and bringing to Juſtice the Perſons concerned in the ſaid Murder, is hereby pleaſed to promiſe His moſt gracious Pardon to any one of the Offenders, who ſhall diſcover any Two or more of his Accomplices, ſo that they may be apprehended and convicted thereof,—except the Perſon who gave the Wounds which were the Cauſe of ſaid Layton's Death.

WEYMOUTH.

And, as a farther Encouragement, the Commiſſion-

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ers of His Majesty's Customs do hereby promise a Reward of ONE HUNDRED POUNDS *to the Person making such Discovery, (except as before excepted) to be paid by the Receiver-General of His Majesty's Customs, upon Conviction of Two or more of the Offenders.*

Edward Stanley, *Secretary.*

Excise-Office, London, September 20, 1777.

AN Act having been passed in the last Session of Parliament, for granting to His Majesty certain Duties on Licences to be taken out by all Persons acting as Auctioneers; Notice is hereby given, that such Licences are ready to be delivered at this Office for the Bills of Mortality, and by the Collectors of Excise in their several Collections throughout England and Wales, to all such Persons as shall apply for the same, paying the respective Duties charged thereon, and performing the other Conditions required by the said Act.

Richard Gamon, *Secretary.*

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By Captain JOHN KNOX.

"Ne quid falsi dicere audeat, ne quid veri non audeat."

Printed for E. JOHNSTON, and sold by J. WALLIS in Ludgate-Street.

N. B. There are but a very few Copies of the above Work remaining unsold.

WHereas His Majesty hath been pleased to grant His Royal Letters Patent, under the Great Seal of Great Britain, for the Term of Fourteen Years, bearing Date September 14, 1776, unto James Guerimand, or his Heirs, Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, solely to make and vend a new-invented Machine called a Marine Perambulator or Log Wheel, to point out the exact Distance a Ship runs at Sea, and the true Course a Ship steers, including the Lee-way; These are therefore to caution all Persons not to make, imitate, add to, subtract from, or vend, any such Machine or Machines, Part or Parts thereof,—or he, she, or they, will be prosecuted as the Law directs.

Letters directed to James Guerimand, at Mr. William Tripp's, Pawn-broker, in St. Martin's-lane, will be duly attended to.

Chester, September 27, 1777.

IN Pursuance of an Act of Parliament lately passed for lighting the Port of Chester, a Light-house is now erected upon the Point of Air near Chester Bar, Notice is hereby given, for the Information of all Masters, Commanders, and other Persons taking the Charge of Ships and Vessels coming into or going out of the Ports of Chester and Liverpool, that Two Lights will be exhibited in the said Light-house on the 29th Day of this instant September; one directed towards the Sea and the Great Ormshead, and the other towards Dawpoole and Parkgate, and will continue every Night, Winter and Summer, from the Time of Sun-setting in the Evening, to the Time of Sun-rising every succeeding Morning.

PUrsuant to a Decree of the High Court of Chancery, the Creditors of John Powell, late of Sampson's gardens in the Parish of St. George in the East in the County of Middlesex, Merchant, are peremptorily to come in and prove their Debts before Thomas Harris, Esq; one of the Masters of the said Court, at his Chambers in Lincoln's-inn, on or before the 12th Day of November next, or in Default thereof they will be excluded the Benefit of the said Decree.

Essex-Wharf, London, Sept. 20, 1777.

THE Partnership between Scruton, Godfrey, and Brabant, Coal-merchants, was this Day dissolved by mutual Consent. The Business of the said Wharf will for the Future be carried on by Godfrey and Brabant there. All Persons having Claims upon the said Partnership are desired to send in their Accounts to be settled; and all Persons indebted to the said Partnership are requested to pay their respective Debts to the said Brabant and Godfrey.

Tho. Scruton.
Walter Godfrey.
Richard Brabant.

THE Creditors of Messr. Neave and Son, are desired to meet at the King's Arms Tavern in Cornhill, on Tuesday next, at Twelve o'Clock, on special Affairs.

THE Creditors who have proved their Debts under a Commission of Bankrupt awarded and issued against Benjamin Caley and Sinckler Porter, of New Bond-street in the County of Middlesex, Hatters and Hosiers, and Copartners, are desired to meet the Assignees of the said Bankrupts Estate and Effects, on Wednesday the 1st of October next, at Eleven o'Clock in the Forenoon, at the House of Mr. Goodman, in Bull and Mouth-street, London, to assent to or dissent from the Assignees commencing, prosecuting, or defending, one or more Suit or Suits at Law or in Equity concerning the said Bankrupts Estate and Effects; and to their compounding, submitting to Arbitration, or otherwise agreeing, any Matter in Dispute relating thereto; and on other special Affairs.

THE Creditors who have proved their Debts under a Commission of Bankrupt awarded and issued against James Johnson and John Swingler, both now or late of Lubbenham in the County of Leicester, Dealers and Chapmen, and Copartners, are desired to meet the Assignees of the said Bankrupt's Estate and Effects, on Wednesday the 8th of October next, at Four o'Clock in the Afternoon, at the House of James Oldham, called the Three Cranes Inn, situate in Leicester, in order to assent to or dissent from the said Assignees commencing, prosecuting, or defending, one or more Suit or Suits at Law or in Equity concerning the said Bankrupt's Estate and Effects; or to their compounding, agreeing, or submitting to Arbitration, any Matter or Thing relating thereto; and on other special Affairs.

THE Creditors who have proved their Debts under a Commission of Bankrupt awarded and issued against Joseph Porter, of the Town and County of the Town of Nottingham, Jeweller, Dealer and Chapman, are desired to meet the Assignee of the said Bankrupt's Estate, on Wednesday the 1st of October next, at Eleven o'Clock in the Forenoon, at the House of Mr. Goodman, in Bull and Mouth-street, London, in order to assent to or dissent from the said Assignee's commencing, prosecuting, or defending Suits for Recovery of the Bankrupt's Estate and Effects; and to his compounding, submitting to Arbitration, or otherwise agreeing, any Matter or Thing relating thereto; and on other special Affairs.

WHereas a Commission of Bankrupt is awarded and issued forth against John Reedford, late of the Parish of St. George Hanover-square in the County of Middlesex, (but now a Prisoner in the King's Bench Prison) Dealer and Chapman, and he being declared a Bankrupt, is hereby required to surrender himself to the Commissioners in the said Commission named, or the major Part of them, on the 4th and 18th Days of October next, and on the 8th Day of November following, at Ten of the Clock in the Forenoon on each Day, at Guildhall, London, and make a full Discovery and Disclosure of his Estate and Effects; when and where the Creditors are to come prepared to prove their Debts, and at the Second Sitting to choose Assignees, and at the last Sitting the said Bankrupt is required to finish his Examination, and the Creditors are to assent to or dissent from the Allowance of his Certificate. All Persons indebted to the said Bankrupt, or that have any of his Effects, are not to pay or deliver the same but to whom the Commissioners shall appoint, but give Notice to Mr. Meggison, Staple-inn.

WHereas a Commission of Bankrupt is awarded and issued forth against Samuel Shrigley, of the Minories, London, Linen-draper, Dealer and Chapman, and he being declared a Bankrupt, is hereby required to surrender himself to the Commissioners in the said Commission named, or the major Part of them, on the 30th Day of September instant, and on the 25th Day of October next, at Five in the Afternoon, and on the 8th Day of November following at Four in the Afternoon, at Guildhall, London, and make a full Discovery and Disclosure of his Estate and Effects; when and where the Creditors are to come prepared to prove their Debts, and at the Second Sitting to chuse Assignees, and at the last Sitting the said Bankrupt is required to finish his Examination, and the Creditors are to assent to or dissent from the Allowance of his Certificate. All Persons indebted to the said Bankrupt, or that